

**EAST LONGMEADOW PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

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Dear ELPS Families and Staff Members:

I am writing to provide everyone more information on the protocols that we will be using in ELPS when people are exposed to a positive case of Covid - 19. Similar to how we developed our Health and Safety Protocols that we utilize on a daily basis in all of our schools, we continue to work with the ELPS Nurse Leader, the District nursing staff, the ELPS Physician, and the Town Health Director to review what was used during the last school year and the most current guidance provided by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Department of Public Health in order to provide the protocols that work the best for the ELPS Community. We will continue to review and possibly revise protocols as needed throughout the year based on our work with ELPS families and any new guidance received. The ELPS Protocols for People Exposed to a Positive Case of Covid-19 can be found at the following link. [ELPS Quarantining Protocols](#) The protocols also will be posted on the District Web page as well.

The ELPS nursing staff continues to provide incredible support to our families, and they have already been discussing the protocols with our families. Please continue to communicate with and contact your child's building nurse with your questions. It is this partnership that allowed us to be so successful in the last school year.

I want to publicly thank all who have taken part in reviewing these protocols providing their expertise, energy, and time. Their efforts continue to help protect us all. Please stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Gordon C. Smith  
Superintendent of Schools